## RESTORATION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES (FUDS)

PROJECT FACT SHEET

ORIGINAL DATE: JUNE 1994
TAG REVIEW DATE: 21 MAY 1998

1. SITE NAME: Birmingham CWS Mixing Plant #2

SITE NUMBER I04AL010500

LOCATION:

City: Birmingham
County: Jefferson
State: Alabama

PROJECT NUMBER: I04AL010500

CATEGORY: N/A

INPR RAC: Not included in ASR

ASR RAC: 3

TAG RAC: 5

2. POC's:

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3. SITE DESCRIPTION: The former Birmingham CWS Mixing Plant #2 was located on approximately 2.2 acres of land midway between Sixth and Seventh Avenues North and between the former Thirty-second and Thirty-third Streets North, Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama. The physical plant occupying the property

during World War II included a warehouse building, concrete mixing vaults and a utilities building.

## 4. SITE HISTORY:

- a. Birmingham CWS Mixing Plant #2 was one of three separate, but related, CWS plants located in Birmingham, AL, and operated by the Ferro Enamel Corporation and leased from the Birmingham Realty Co. The Chemical Warfare Services operated the plant from August 1944 until the end of the war. During that time, the plant made a chemical called "hexachorethane", which was the main ingredient in the white HC smoke mix. Hexachorethane is only toxic in high concentrations. After being made and bagged in the mixer/bagger rooms, the final product was stored in the warehouse section of the building until final railroad shipment to other installations was completed.
- b. The lease with the Birmingham Realty Co. was terminated on 21 April 1947. There were no clauses in the lease which required, or absolved, the DOD from site restoration.
- c. Birmingham CWS Plant #2 did not manufacture any high explosive materials. The plant was used strictly for the production of HC smoke mix.

## 5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Entire Site: Size, Acres: Approximately 2.2

Former Use: CWS Mixing Plant

Present Use: Bakery

Probable End Use: Same as above

Ordnance Presence: None

6. CURRENT STATUS: The Archives Search Report (ASR) for the Birmingham CWS Mixing Plant #2 was completed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, in June 1994.

7. STRATEGY: Entire Site: NOFA

## 8. ISSUES AND CONCERNS:

- a. The Huntsville Center Technical Advisory Group reviewed this ASR on 21 MAY 198 and determined that this site is ineligible for consideration as an OE Project and the strategy is NOFA. A revised RAC form is attached reflecting a score of 5.
- b. The current owner, Tatum Bakeries, Division of Beatrice Foods, Southern Bakeries, Inc., requests that no restoration actions be undertaken.

- 9. SCHEDULE SUMMARY: NOFA
- 10. FUNDING/BUDGET SUMMARY: NA